of the Polio vaccines used in India are manufactured indigenously and a critical 40 per cent is imported;

(b) whather India is hoping that WHO would step in and do its bit to help procure adequate amount of vaccines;

(c) whether India's appeal for financial assistance from WHO, for its health care programme has been considered so far;

(d) if so, when and how much financial assistance was accorded; and

(e) if not, the reasons for not offering assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) and (b) Although during the current year there has been a global shortage of Oral Polio Vaccine, there has been no disruption in conduct of the Pulse Polio Immunization campaign in India till now. This has mainly been possible by augmenting the indigenous production capacities. WHO and UNICEF have substaintially assisted in procuring the vaccine for the country's Pulse Polio Immunization Programme.

(c) to (e) WHO essentially provides technical support and advice. They provide some funds for specific activities in the Health Sector. India received from WHO $ 14.9 million dollar on a biennium basis.

**CGHS facilities at Guwahati**

1727. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no clinic/hospital and nursing home facilities are available through CGHS, Guwahati;

(b) if so, the system through which these facilities are made available to the employees and details of the plan, if any, to establish a full-fledged hospital/ dispensary, with requisite specialists, outdoor and indoor facilities;

(c) if not, the details of health made available to the employees through CGHS, Guwahati; and

(d) the existing status of supply of medicine, cadre-wise strength of staff and doctors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The health

facilities made available to the employees of CGHS Guwahati are as under:—

(i) Patients requiring specialist consultation/specialised services are referred to the Govt. Medical College, and Guwahati Distt. Civil hospital where the nursing home facilities are available.

(ii) For all kinds of laboratory investigations, the beneficiaries are advised to go to any private laboratory/diagnostic centre or to any Government facility of their choice. The admissible amount is reimbursed to the card-holders through their respective offices on the basis of certificates from CGHS doctors.

(d) By and large, the essential drugs required for day to day are avilable. However, the drugs which are not available in the dispensaries are procured through the authorised local chemist on individual prescription.

The cadre-wise strength of doctors & Staff is as under:—

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| 1. | CMO (NFSG) | — | 03 |
| 2. | CMO | — | 07 |
| 3. | SMO | — | 01 |
| 4. | Accountant | — | 01 |
| 5. | Staff Nurse | — | 03 |
| 6. | Pharmacist | — | 12 |
| 7. | UDC | — | 01 |
| 8. | Stenographer | — | 01 |
| 9. | LDC | — | 06 |
| 10. | Packer | — | 02 |
| 11. | Dresser | — | 03 |
| 12. | Female Attendant | — | 03 |
| 13. | Nursing Attendent | — | 04 |
| 14. | Class IV | — | 04 |
| 15. | Peon | — | 03 |
| 16. | Chowkidar | — | 03 |
| 17. | Safaiwala | — | 03 |

**Quality of Unani Medicines**

1728. SHRI KHAN GHUFRAN ZAHIDI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: